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to extend this railway into Chinese Turkestan, on account of the presence of the Thian-shan range and its southern branches. Nevertheless the existence of Russian mining and other concessions, even if not backed by railway, would be a menace which it would be most undesirable to have to face. Britain does not want another Manchuria on her Kashmir frontier, and it is unfortunately impossible to believe that Russian concessions in Chinese Turkestan would not mean a Russianisation of the province, if the process were not checked early.

It is difficult to withhold admiration from the manner in which Russia plays the moves of her Asiatic game. Alternations between activity in Manchuria and activity in Persia are not deep enough; she must therefore strike occasionally at Mongolia, Tibet, and Chinese Turkestan. All of course is part of one policy, and the subtlety of that policy lies in its distracting nature. As far as the Chinese frontier is concerned, Russia cannot have too many irons in the fire. China is not such a Power as to resist the application of those irons, which are intended to brand her outlying provinces as Russian. Only at two ends of the long line of frontier does a complication arise through the proximity of other Powers; and at one end, in Manchuria, Russia seems firmly and permanently established. It is practically impossible to save Mongolia unless the Chinese themselves display patriotism, honesty, and courage. Chinese Turkestan and Tibet, on the other hand, do not depend on China alone for their salvation from Russian rule. There is every reason why Tibet, especially, should in time be in very intimate connection with India, and Chinese Turkestan is, as we have said, conterminous with British possessions along the Karakorum range. The penetration of Russia to the Pamirs enabled her to outflank Kashgaria, but the Chinese position would still be strong—if it were not for the Chinese. The letting loose of Russian concessionaries into Chinese Turkestan would naturally destroy what little strength is left to the present suzerain Power.

H.M.S. *Goliath*, homeward bound, was to leave Singapore for Colombo last Thursday.

The German mail of the 13th ult. was delivered in London on the 17th inst.

Though handicapped by rain showers yesterday afternoon the Sherwood Foresters band played through an excellent programme.

Captain Tate has been succeeded in the command of the *Rosetta Maru*, of the Hongkong-Manila branch of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, by Mr. Smith, first officer of the *America Maru*.

We draw the attention of our anonymous Chinese correspondent who writes concerning the Public Health and Buildings Bill to our notice to correspondents which appears on this page every day.

Mr. C. W. Kight, third engineer of the P. & O. s.s. *Balticar*, has been missing since 2.30 a.m. on Saturday last. He was last seen on the *Balticar* then lying in the Harbour, and is supposed to have fallen overboard.

The usual complaint in Hongkong is that we have not enough band music. On the Parade Ground yesterday promenaders could have done with a little less: the amateur in the City Hall and the Sherwood Foresters playing discordant duets.

The Bisley Rifle Meeting continues throughout the whole of this week, concluding on Saturday next. The contest for the King's Prize begins to-day at 200 yards, and will be continued at 500 and 600 to-morrow, at 600 again on Friday, and be completed at 800, 900, and 1,000, on the 25th, after which the whole of the prizes won during the meeting will be distributed.

After the successful promenade concert of the other evening another, under the auspices of the Hongkong Benevolent Society, will be pleasantly anticipated. The date has not yet been definitely fixed, but the concert will probably take place about the middle of next month, on the Volunteers' Parade Ground. Mr. G. Grindle's orchestra is hard at practice for the occasion.

A soon telegram, dated 7th July, quotes a Wijia despatch to the effect that a Russian named Matiroff, who represents himself as a foreman of the timber company, accompanied by a leader of the mounted bandits and ten followers, arrived at Wijia on the 26th ult. and called on the commander of the local garrison. The Russian complained of Japanese attempts to prevent the Russians from carrying out the stipulations mentioned in the Russo-Coréan Treaty in regard to timber felling. The Russian is believed to be a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Russian army.

The Manila Sunday Sun says:—An employee of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank [Chartered Bank] was held two days on the steamer *Rosetta Maru* on her last visit to this port because the Customs officials claimed his coming to these islands under contract was a breach of the contract labour law. Shortly afterwards four young women who had come to the islands on the *America Maru*, for the purpose of marrying resident Americans, were allowed to land. We fail to see the points of difference. Both were coming here under contract.

It rained in Kowloon once or twice yesterday, but on the same occasions remained dry in Victoria, as has frequently happened of late.

Lieut. Ivo Barrett, the well-known Hampshire cricketer, is expected in the Straits Settlements, having been seconded for service with the Malay States Guards.

A new species of mosquito has been found by Dr. Danish at Treacher's Hill, Bukit Kuta, Selangor, closely allied to the malaria-carrying anopholes. It has been named *A. Treacheri*.

The Singapore Football Challenge Cup was won on the 10th inst. by the Singapore Cricket Club, who defeated the Fort Canning Recreation Club in the final by two goals to nil.

In an opium-smuggling case in the British Court, Bangkok, on the 9th inst., some laughter was created over a question of language. A Chinese witness said man-maz or words like that. His Honour said that in Chinese was a curious use of the words. It was explained that the expression meant "Quickly"—or, at least, so a Bangkok paper says.

A London paper quotes the following:—At Hongkong the other day a Chinaman was fined two pounds for biting the thumb of a policeman. The defendant thus denied the charge: "I did not bite him, sir. I was in a crowd, when feeling a hand rudely thrust against my ear, I turned round suddenly, closing my mouth as I did so. I found the policeman's hand in my mouth, and he seemed pained. So was I."—We remember the circumstances, but not the due, the nature of which suggests the existence of a currency whose stability would ensure freedom from the worries of the fluctuating dollar.

A telegram dated Berlin, 16th June says:—Ludwig Tessnow, a carpenter, who stands convicted of murder, and has been sentenced to death, has just undergone a most dangerous operation at the hospital in Grunwald. An abscess had formed just below the skull bone, and the skull had to be perforated in the course of the operation, which is declared a complete success. It is stated that after the complete recovery of the patient the capital sentence will be carried out, and that no reprieve is likely. Tessnow had murdered four persons.

The *Rangoon Times* publishes a greeting from Singaravu, which was telegraphed to that journal from Madras and was "intended to be accepted by Burmese Buddhists as a token of regard from their co-religionists in Tripilane. The telegram was as follows:—"Madras Buddhists wish their Burma brethren happy Wesak. They celebrate Bighavan, Buddha's Nirvana, to-day, being Vaishaka Pournami. May the triple gem bless all. May Dhamma spread the world over. Glory to Buddha Dhamma Sangha." An irreligious person suggests a similarity to St. Andrew's Day telegrams.

We take the following from the *Siam Observer*:—How to save one's valuables from fire is a problem that has been cutely solved by a Chinese residing in the lane leading to the Talat Noi gambling-house. Fearing that the fiery demon would sooner or later devour the neighbourhood, he prepared for himself a sort of well with a stone lid and, when his expectations were realised last Saturday afternoon, he was not long in stuffing all his valuables down into the hole. Replacing the lid, he serenely viewed the ravages of the fire from afar and doubtless smiled up his sleeve at the want of forethought on the part of his neighbour. His Excellency confidently relies upon all ranks to use their utmost endeavours to put a stop to these acts of violence. Commanding officers will read this order to all ranks on three successive parades, and will see that all British troops are warned once a month on this subject.

The *New York Chronicle*, the law is "100 dollars a spit" so that public spitting matches have been suggested for blue millions, with a prize for the expectorator who can hold out longest. The tubercle bacillus is still regarded in too sceptical a light in England for any such fine to be imposed anywhere, but the Isle of Wight has certainly marked the most decided advance so far, having now passed a by-law which makes spitting in public an offence punishable by a fine of £5, a figure making one-fourth of the sum demanded in New York. Meanwhile some recent figures given by Professor Clifford Albutt show how cases of tuberculosis supposed to be hereditary show a history that closely corresponds with the degree of intimacy between the child and its parent. In Belgium spitting is now forbidden not only in all public places, but on the pavements as well. In Canada the facts have recently been proclaimed from the pulpits; but the people of "this remarkable island"—as Carlyle called it—read and forget at die.

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The most lonely place in the world, according to the *Sunday Sun* of Manila, is the island of Midway, the intermediate station of the new cable between Honolulu and Guam. The entire population of the island is but nine persons, employees of the cable company, and they are under contract to remain in the station for three years. However, a Lieutenant-Commander of the Navy is to be detailed as Governor of the island, which is only a mile and a half long by three quarters of a mile wide, and whose highest altitude is some thirty-five feet.

It is possible that a small guard of marines will be stationed on the island later. The nine-table men are armed for an emergency as the island is visited annually by Japanese fisherman, who gather the birds with which the island is covered, for the sake of their plumage. The nearest land from Midway is 1,500 miles. However the operators will have a full news service daily, arrangements having been made to send them the chief articles of interest from the San Francisco papers daily.

According to the *Straits Times*, dengue fever has been styled "European fever" by the Chinese of Kuala Lumpur.

The *Shanghai Mercury* understands that the *Universal Gazette* has been transferred to Mr. W. E. Gray, general-manager of the Hankow-Canton Railway.

Mr. S. J. Smith, who conducts the Siamese Baptist Mission (Independent) at Bangkok Point, Bangkok, attained his 8th birthday on the 5th inst. He is the oldest *farang* in Siam, having arrived in June, 1849.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—G. Murray Bain, \$3.

The Newchwang correspondent of the *P. & T. Times* confirms a suspicion that has been entertained for some time, that the hopelessness of the situation has produced a dumb acquiescence, almost indifference, on the part of the Newchwang residents.

A London contemporary says:—The official list of the strength of the Manchester Regiment, just landed at Singapore, reads: "20 officers and 2 ladies; 4 warrant officers and 2 wives; 518 rank and file and 10 women and 12 children." This is drawing a fine distinction, certainly.

A determined effort is to be made by the Customs authorities to stop the smuggling of Chinese into Manila. In future every vessel entering the port of Manila from any and all Chinese ports will be thoroughly searched by the Secret Service Department of the Custom House.

A London journal is offering a member of the staff as a prize to be competed for by unmarried ladies desirous of changing their name and state. The gentleman in question has experienced difficulty in finding a suitable partner, and the paper thinks this a good way of surmounting it.

"The Sun seen again" is a heading in a London morning paper of the 17th June. It is recorded below that the total rainfall for June, 1903, taking the Westminster figures, is 4.82 in. The highest amount previously recorded for the whole month during the past thirty-seven years was 4.07 in., in 1879.

The following order has been issued at Simla:—The Commander-in-Chief greatly regrets to inform the Army that there has been quite recently a considerable number of cases in which British soldiers have assaulted natives, sometimes with fatal results. His Excellency cannot too strongly impress upon the Army in India the gravity of such offences, showing, as they do, want of discipline and self-control, as well as want of proper supervision. Officers, non-commissioned officers and men must realise that any such occurrence is a slur on the unit to which they belong, and the Commander-in-Chief is resolved to do everything in his power to prevent soldiers disgracing themselves in this way. His Excellency confidently relies upon all ranks to use their utmost endeavours to put a stop to these acts of violence. Commanding officers will read this order to all ranks on three successive parades, and will see that all British troops are warned once a month on this subject.

We have received for publication the following two letters:

Colonial Secretary's Office, 23rd June, 1903.

Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 30th March last addressed to the Governor's Private Secretary enclosing a petition to the Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies praying for a prolongation of His Excellency's term of office in this Colony, I am directed to inform you that a reply has been received from Mr. Chamberlain in which he states that he has read with great pleasure of the appreciation with which His Excellency's administration is regarded. He adds, however, that it would be premature to consider at the present time the question of extending His Excellency's term, and is therefore not prepared at present to tender any advice to His Majesty the King on the subject.

I am to request you to be good enough to convey this information to your colleague on the Legislative Council and the other signatories of the Petition.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

H. E. SIR HENRY BLAKE'S TERM OF OFFICE.

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Colonial Secretary's Office, 23rd June, 1903.

Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 23rd ultimo, I am directed to inform you that the following extract from Mr. Chamberlain's despatch was inadvertently omitted:—"I have felt it my duty to lay your despatch and petition before His Majesty who has been pleased to express his gratification at the confidence which is felt in your Government of Hongkong."—I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
pro. Col. Sec.

Hon. Dr. HO KAI, C.M.G.

ACCIDENT TO THE "POWAN."

Telegraphic news from Canton was received yesterday in the Colony to the effect that the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co. s.s. *Powen*, due in Canton at six o'clock in the morning, was many hours late. The Company's steamer *Houan*, which left Hongkong at seven o'clock in the morning, and another of their steamers, the *Falsham*, which left Canton at eight o'clock found that the *Powen* was in distress in the neighbourhood of the Hogue Forts, a breakdown having taken place in her machinery and rendered her helpless. Her passengers were transferred to the *Houan* and carried on to Canton, while the disabled steamship was taken in tow by the *Falsham* and brought back for repairs to Hongkong, which was reached about six o'clock last evening.

CROWN LAND SALES.

At the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon, three lots of Crown land were put up to auction by Mr. L. C. Bee, Principal Land Surveyor. Most interest centred in the acquisition of Minnie Lot 282, situated on the Praia Beachmati opposite the Seikoor House, comprising 35,910 sq. feet and having an annual Crown rent of \$80. The upset price was \$170,550, and after spirited bidding it was knocked down to Mr. A. Shelton Hooper for the Hongkong Land Investment Co. at the price of \$274,000, an advance of nearly \$100,000 on the upset.

Rural Building Lot 115, Peak Road, 2,250 sq. feet, \$12 Crown rent, was offered at \$270 and was bought by Mr. A. Bryer for an advance of \$20 on that figure, there being no competition. Tai Hang Island Lot 162 was purchased by Mr. Foo Sik for \$1,475, an advance of \$800 upon the upset price; and Lot 163 went to Mr. Wong Yau Choy for \$1,700, an advance of \$1,025.

Jack Grace of America (who recently defeated St. Clair in Shanghai in three rounds) and Sam Newman of Manila, formerly of England, have signed articles to box twenty rounds for a decision, the match to take place in the City Hall between the 4th and 6th August. Grace comes with a splendid record, having fought with such well-known pugilists as Kid McCoy, Jack Everhardt, George McFadden, and others. He has travelled all over the world, being now on his second trip round the globe, and he has fought with distinction wherever he went. Newman also comes well recommended, having disposed of some good men in his class; Mr. J. Christie is looking after his interests. Both men will be in hard training by to-morrow and a tough and straightforward encounter will be looked for when they meet.

## TELEGRAMS.

## "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

SHANGHAI, 19th July, 9.30 p.m.

## REVOLUTIONARIES IN PEKING.

Two revolutionaries were arrested yesterday in Peking. They will be promptly beheaded. More arrests are expected.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

## THE ECLIPSE STAKES.

LONDON, 17th July.

Ard Patrick, ... 1  
Sceptre, ... 2  
Rockland, ... 3

## RUSSIAN LOAN TO CHINA.

LONDON, 17th July.

It is announced in St. Petersburg that China has concluded a loan of Rs. 2,000,000, with the Russo-Chinese Bank, for which instead of interest Russia receives privileges in Chinese Turkestan.

## THE IRISH LAND BILL.

LONDON, 17th July.

The Irish Land Bill has passed Committee and been read a third time in the House of Commons. Mr. Healy congratulated Mr. Wyndham on the genius, skill, and courage he had in the conduct of the Bill.

## NEW LAW COURTS AND POST OFFICE.

Hon. GERSHOM STEWART put the following questions of which he had given no notice:

1. When were

about it. We have the first reading, then the second reading, and I am so ignorant of the procedure of this Council that we shall probably have the third reading before I know. Is it not the custom to take the first reading and then have time to consider the Bill? I myself have had no time to consider it. I read it through hurriedly, but I notice it stated that the Chief Justice may at any time upon good cause show grant to the Crown leave to appeal. If there is any doubt on the subject, I would simply ask the Council to have it postponed until next meeting.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL—All I ask is the Council to do is to adopt the principle, and if we adopt that principle we can read the Bill the second time and refer it to committee at the next meeting.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—It will not go through committee now?

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL—No.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—Oh, very well.

The motion was put to the Council and the Bill was read a second time.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY VOTE.

The COLONIAL TREASURER moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorise the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of One million eight hundred thousand two hundred and one Dollars and forty Cents, to defray the Charge of the Year 1902.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded, and the Bill was read the second time and referred to the Finance Committee.

#### NEW TERRITORIES RENT RECOVERY.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that the Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to repeal The New Territories Rent Recovery Ordinance.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

In Committee the Attorney-General proposed several amendments and new clauses and it was agreed to let the Bill stand over till next meeting in order that those might be printed and submitted.

#### THE NEW POST OFFICE AND THE LAW COURTS.

Hon. GERSHOM STEWART—With your Excellency's permission I beg to move the adjournment of the debate in order to make some remarks on the answers to the questions standing in my name.

H.E. the GOVERNOR—Certainly.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—As these two matters are of considerable public importance, I ventured to ask these questions, and it is very gratifying to hear that some satisfactory arrangement has at last been made about the Law Courts, but it must be borne in mind that we have heard hopeful statements before and have suffered a considerable amount of disappointment. It is clear that the Law Courts site has been reclaimed for about 13 years, also the site in front of the Club; and yet we still have grass growing on both of them. I fully admit the desire of the Government in this and other matters to do their best for the public interests, but it seems to me that perhaps the cost to us has been somewhat overlooked. It does not seem very clear that it is a needless matter to delay the construction of these two buildings because this Colony like many a prosperous institution runs on a debit balance, and we could not do that unless at a charge of 5 per cent. It is quite clear that we pay \$500,000 for the Post Office site we would pay \$25,000 in interest. It is no good to go to the loss of interest in the past on the sites to the east of that, but take the two together and I am perhaps not overstating the value when I say they are worth \$1,000,000, which is a cost of \$50,000 a year or \$1,000 a week to us. From that point of view it seems to me that we are losing money because as far as I can see we are in a very strong position. We have got the two old public offices in Queen's Road, I suppose, to sell and apply towards these buildings, and we have got the valuable site in front of the Club, so that so far as I can see we have assets which will enable us to put these two buildings up, without any cash coming in either. We have actually got the money, and it seems to me that we have had it for some time. I very fully admit the great trouble and difficulties of the Public Works Department, but I think it is possible, if public attention is drawn to it and the matter is opened up, that by a readjustment of duties and the calling in of private assistance we could possibly be able to do a great deal of work at a greater speed than we can at present. In answer to my question No. 5 it was not very clearly laid down who was going to build the Post Office. One hears remarks that the successful architect will do so, but it has not been definitely stated. I would like to mention a small matter in regard to the readjustment of work which I can speak of from my personal experience. I am sorry to say that I the other day had not paid my water rate. I got two letters from the Director of Public Works. I found that something was charged and I corresponded with him and eventually it resulted in me paying \$1.50 to the Treasury. Well, it struck me as a little bit hard on probably the hardest worked man in Hongkong, whom we expect to be an architect, an artist, an engineer and look after all things, that we should also make him do tax-collecting as well. I especially thought that, when we have got such an excellent and energetic Treasurer, who will look after the Colony's debts very well. I understand that I cannot say any more on the question of public works except referring to these two buildings but I should like to draw your attention to the fact that it seems very odd that we cannot get on with our work and yet private people get on with theirs apparently fairly well. If we go down to the Post Office site we may see people sawing timber. If you look round you see Messrs. A. S. Watson's four-story

building approaching completion. If you go down to our sites to the eastwards you see in front of Queen's Building which has been in use for some years and Prince's Building which is now approaching completion. You see in front of the Bank those two very nice gardens which have been in use for six years and on the opposite side we have the statue of His Royal Highness standing in a sort of wilderness. I must say I never pass that statue but I feel an inclination to apologise to His Royal Highness for not having given a better site to the statue. I hope sir, that these remarks will be taken in as good part as they are made in. I am induced to make them with the hope and desire that if we use the proper assistance, engineering and otherwise, which we have at hand, we may give the Director of Public Works immediate and efficient relief. We all admit freely that he is a most conscientious hard-working man, but it seems to me that this Colony has outgrown the limits of the Public Works Department. If that is so, it is a matter for real congratulation. But if we become a bigger place we cannot expect the work to be done without a bigger apparatus than we had in the earlier days. I think that any money that may be expended in the cost of employing private labour will be amply repaid by the relief afforded to the Department and by the increased comfort which the public will enjoy. It is a noticeable fact that nowadays, all as patriotic as we are, we have not a public building of any sort or kind except Queen's College, which is hidden away in Chinatown and nobody ever sees. It seems to me that the present moment is an opportune moment to put our shoulder to the wheel, because we have found out that all hopes of developing this Colony to its full limits of beauty and excellence have been taken away from us by the retention of the Naval Yard in our midst. I think the best thing for us to do is in that direction our Colony as much as we can in that direction to the best of our ability. I do not know what I have to move a resolution?

H.E. the GOVERNOR—No.

Hon. Mr. STEWART—I simply wish to ventilate the matter. There are a good many other things in which assistance might be given to the Public Works Department, but I will confine my remarks to these questions.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—Sir, I beg to second the motion of my hon. friend, and I do so with great pleasure, because I agree—I had almost said with the whole up his remarks, but at any rate with most of them, although there are one or two with which I certainly do not agree. In the first place he referred to some Government official whom he seemed to think able and energetic. Now, I do not know whether he meant my hon. friend on the right [Director of Public Works]—or my hon. friend on the left—[Colonial Treasurer]. I am quite willing to admit that one is able and the other energetic—but as to both being able and energetic—I am not so sure about that. There was another remark in the speech of the hon. member with which I cannot agree—that about the statue of His Royal Highness being like a voice in the wilderness.

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HIS EXCELLENCE—I am afraid the hon. member is getting a little discursive.

Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—These are included in the matter of public works which my friend raised.

HIS EXCELLENCE—No; that was about the building of the Law Courts and the Post Office.

Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—I think he moved the adjournment of the debate to discuss public works.

HIS EXCELLENCE—Yes, especially with reference to these two matters. However, I do not think the hon. member has very much farther to go.

Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Well, regarding the roads, we recommended that three or four samples of roads should be made, different materials to be used. Mr. Tooker, who was subsequently made Assistant Director of Public Works, recommended that these should have wood pavements and said that the present roads had no foundations. Mr. Danby and I—

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HIS EXCELLENCE—Yes, but it is coming near four o'clock.

Hon. Mr. SHEWAN—Oh well, if the argument is one of time I am willing to sit down.

The hon. member thereupon resumed his seat.

**THE COLONIAL SECRETARY**—The question of the site of the Law Courts and the site of the new Post Office and other offices that are going to be built on the site of the new Post Office is a subject which has been a very vexed one indeed, and one on which local opinion among officials differed as much as the opinion of non-officials. Sir William Robinson appointed a committee to consider this matter in 1894, and that committee reported and recommended a certain scheme.

Then, unfortunately for rapidity in the carrying out of the work, there was a change in the Public Works Department. The new Director did not approve of the scheme fathered by his predecessor, as far as my memory serves me, and a fresh committee was appointed. It was not until 1898 that that second committee reported, and after some correspondence with the Secretary of State as to the design of the buildings, it was finally decided to employ an eminent firm of architects at home—

Hon. R. SHEWAN—Who decided—Mr. Chamberlain or the Hongkong Government?

**THE COLONIAL SECRETARY**—Aston, Webb & Ingless Bell. All this took a good deal of time and added to the delay. As for the site of the Post Office, which was acquired last March, it must be remembered that not one department but several—some five or six—had to be accommodated in that building. It took some considerable time to find out what these departments wanted, and it also took some time to collate information so that the architects might have something to go upon. It may be we have lost something in interest through not availing ourselves of these sites earlier, but at the same time I would remind the hon. members who have spoken that the value of the property is increasing all the time.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—Hear, hear.

**THE COLONIAL SECRETARY**—We might sell the present site of the Law Courts and the Post Office some years later, and I think the Senior Unofficial Member will agree with me that if we do sell it we will get a great deal more for it than if we had sold it three or four years ago.

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HON. MR. SHEWAN—ESTIMATE FOR 1902.

The Committee then considered the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1902, and approved all of the items contained therein.

The Hon. R. SHEWAN took objection to the grouping of so many items under the heading "Miscellaneous Services," and said miscellaneous services might cover a multitude of miscellaneous sins.

HIS EXCELLENCE—I don't think it would be possible to put "Miscellaneous Services" in any other form.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—I don't see any reason for it.

HIS EXCELLENCE—I am speaking to the Chairman, sir.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—Sir am I.

HIS EXCELLENCE—Order.

HIS EXCELLENCE—I don't suppose it is possible to put all the "Miscellaneous Services" in this part (holding up the paper), and I suppose that is the reason they appear in the form they take.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—I don't see any reason for it, and if the hon. member will give us a reason I shall be glad to hear it.

HIS EXCELLENCE—Yes, but it is coming near four o'clock.

Hon. R. SHEWAN—This was all the business.

#### SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 20th July.

#### IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR W. L. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

#### CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Lo Han, Lo Kak, and Lo Ngau, 70 years of age (father of the two first named), were charged with killing one Tso Shing, a submarine miner attached to the Royal Artillery.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. C. Warren, J. T. Douglas, P. H. Holycross, H. Eyre, E. M. Hazelton, G. A. Richards and A. Hyndman.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor), conducted the prosecution on behalf of the Attorney-General. He stated that on 4th June the three prisoners met the deceased in the street; and the first prisoner, who was the keeper of an opium-dian, asked him for some money which he owed. This led to a quarrel and an assault upon the deceased by the first prisoner. The other two prisoners joined in and apparently considerable violence was used. Deceased was knocked down, kicked, and struck with billets of wood. A crowd assembled, and when the three prisoners saw the man was injured they ran away. The injured man went into an opium-dian and shortly afterwards the police were called in. He was then taken to hospital, where Dr. Bell found him to be suffering from a ruptured spleen. From information received the prisoners were arrested. Two days later the injured man succumbed after having made a dying deposition and identified the three prisoners.

Evidence was called.

When asked if he had any statement to make, Lo Han pleaded that when he attacked the deceased for the money he owed, he assaulted him and they both fell to the ground. He did not injure himself in falling. Lo Ngau, the old man, stated that he did not take part in the fight: he was too old.

The jury found the first and third prisoners—Lo Han and Lo Ngau—guilty as libelled, and the second, Lo Kak, not guilty.

The second prisoner was discharged.

H. E. Sharp, in sentencing the first prisoner to 18 months' imprisonment with hard labour, said he took into consideration the fact that the deceased man had an enlarged spleen and that it did not take so much violence to kill him as it would to kill an ordinary healthy man. The old man, his Lordship sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour, remarked that he had no doubt when he saw his son fighting with another man he felt he ought to go to his assistance.

As the prisoners were being led from the dock, two Chinese who had been sitting in the body of the Court, came forward to the railing and shouted out in Chinese, "That is very unfair; passing a light sentence when a man's life has been taken away."

His Lordship bad the men brought before him and asked them who they were.

The men replied that they were submarine miners.

Mr. Sharp said he was informed that they were trueborn of the deceased.

His Lordship told them the best thing they could do would be to walk out of the Court, for if they stayed and were rude to the Court they would be sent to prison. He would take into account that their feelings were very strong in the matter. They had better get out of the Court as quickly as they could.

The men left the Court with expedition.

#### HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

Li Tzu, a powerful-looking Chinese, was charged with having on 13th June assaulted a ricksha-coolie named Li Yuk Tin on the Shaikuan Road, wounded him with a knife, and robbed him of \$1.

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Hongkong, 18th June, 1903. [1902]

TO LET.

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HOUSE (Unfurnished), 13 Large

Rooms, Kitcken, etc. etc.

Apply—

MANAGER,

Wm. Powell, Ltd.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. [1867]

TO LET.

A N OFFICE at No. 2, CONNAUGHT

ROAD.

Apply—

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON

WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1903. [2031]

TO LET.

F LAT (TWO ROOMS and BATHROOM)

Two Minutes from Clock Tower.

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C. H.,

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TWO SPACIOUS GODOWNS—Nos. 95

and 96, PRAYA EAST.

Apply to—

H. N. MODY,

Victoria Buildings.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1902. [82]

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very suitable for Dry Goods.

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THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.  
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Cash Security ..... 2625,719  
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THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO.,  
Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [1419]

SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

HOTZ & JACOB & CO.,  
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1903. [12]

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SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [26]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1902.  
£16,378,771.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £3,000,000 0 0  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ..... 2,750,000 0 0  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... 687,500 0 0  
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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th June, 1903. [1883]

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The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.  
Hongkong, 17th August, 1897. [28]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED TO ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,  
Hongkong, 29th May 1895. [27]

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THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [113]

GENERAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF DRESDEN.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS.

HOTZ & JACOB & CO.,  
Hongkong, 1st September, 1902. [2327]

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ESTABLISHED 1886.

THE Undersigned Agents of above Compan/ are prepared to accept First-class Foreign and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

TURNER & CO.,  
Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. [216]

INTERNATIONAL HAIR-DRESSING SALOON.

THE Undersigned has purchased the above business and will henceforth carry on same on his account.

HAIRCUTTING, SHAVING, &c., executed at reasonable rates by experienced barbers.

Boots, Shoes, Manila Cigars and Cigarettes on sale at very moderate prices. Shortly expect a large consignment of best Perfumery and Toilet Requisites from London, Paris and America which will be offered on sale at very cheap prices.

V. ATIENZA,  
Hongkong, 9th July, 1903. [1967]

## PENANG IN 1902.

From Mr. Kynnerley's Administration Report on Penang it appears that during the year 1902 there was a decrease of \$10,794 under special expenses, and of \$20,126 under works and buildings, and also that the actual revenue exceeded the estimate by \$118,526 while the expenditure was \$305,302 under the estimate. In other words the settlement is more than half a million better off than it hoped to be. The actual revenue for the year was \$2,337,474 as compared with \$2,221,914 in 1901, showing an increase of \$115,560, while the expenditure—exclusive of Crown Agents' payments—amounted to \$1,836,306, as against \$1,810,254 in 1901, being an increase of \$26,052. On the expenditure side there are an increase of \$59,516 under personal emoluments and exchanged compensation allowances, due to the fall in exchange, and \$39,041 under roads, streets, bridges. On the revenue side stamp exceeded the estimate by \$83,177. Personal emoluments, other charges, and pensions were largely below the estimate; and under works and buildings, special services, the estimate exceeded the actual expenditure by \$201,344. The stamp revenue was \$274,715 as against \$179,148 in 1901.

The steady growth of the shipping in Straits waters is evidenced by the fact that there was an increase in the tonnage of vessels visiting the port of 167,874 tons, while the total value of the imports in 1902 was \$79,358,893 against \$63,716,747 in 1901; an increase of nearly \$14,000,000, while imports from the United Kingdom show an increase of over one million dollars, from British colonies over five million and from foreign countries over nine million. The imports from other Settlements decreased by half a million dollars. Imports from the following places in millions of dollars were—Perak 202, Hongkong 12, United Kingdom 63, Siamese Western States (including Kedah 14) 6, Bombay 52, Selangor 5, Sumatra 4, Burma 4, Singapore 2, Madras 14.

In the matter of health the island has been below the average, with an average death-rate of 40.73 of which average 43.69 per mile were within the Municipal limits. Small-pox, cholera, typhoid and dengue were the most prevalent diseases, but no deaths were directly due to the last named.

The Penang police are not happy. According to the Chief Police Officer, the new Criminal Procedure Code hampers instead of assisting the department. Though the inspectors are said to have worked well, it is plainly set forth that "the European contingent cannot be said to be satisfactory. It was seven sergeants short during the year. The majority are reported to be unsteady and the rest unfit for promotion. The detective department is inefficient but great difficulties exist in the way of improving it."

It cannot be said that there was any decrease in crime, though the number of cases arrested was less by 1,309. There were fewer cases of murder but more cases of house-breaking.

The number of Chinese immigrants increased from 66,411 in 1901 to 69,782 in the year under review, while the number of Indian and other immigrants fell considerably. The respective figures for the past three years are given as follows:—In 1900 there were 33,529, in 1901 the numbers fell to 28,253, and in 1902 it was only 20,242. In addition to this the emigration of Indians for South Indian ports shows an increase. In 1900 there were only 11,251, in 1902 there were 16,204, last year there were 18,189.

ALL THIS IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LETTER OF LAW. BUT THE DECISION SAYS IN CONCLUSION:

"THAT NO EVIDENCE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO SHOW THAT LABOUR OF A LIKE KIND UNEMPLOYED CANNOT BE PROURED IN THIS COUNTRY." IF THE CHARTERED BANK FAILED TO PRODUCE EVIDENCE TO PROVE THIS LAST STATEMENT, IT HAS MADE A WEAK SHOWING. IT WOULD BE AN EASY MATTER TO PROVE. EXPERT ACCOUNTANTS, MEN TRAINED TO THE BOOKS OF BANKS, ARE NOT FOUND UNEMPLOYED IN THE PHILIPPINES, IF THEY ARE OTHERWISE WORTHY OF POSITIONS. THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE LOGOPIE THROUGH WHICH THE CUSTOMS SHOULD HAVE ADMITTED ALLOU. HE IS NEEDED HERE TO DO THE DAY'S WORK; THE CHARTERED BANK, A REPUTABLE CONCERN, WANTS HIM, AND THEY SHOULD HAVE HIM. THEY HAVE BEEN PUT TO MUCH

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## THE CHARTERED BANK CASE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The Manila *Cablenews* of the 13th Inst. writes as follows concerning the detention of Mr. F. S. Allen, of the Chartered Bank, as a contract labourer:—

The refusal of the Customs authorities to allow Frank S. Allen to enter the Philippines Islands, on the ground that he is a contract labourer and that his case comes under the alien laws, may be right according to the letter of the law. But it is ridiculous. And such decisions, whether they will stand the test of legal trial or not, are calculated to injure business here and to make the United States appear unreasonable and a trifle foolish in the administration of the curious mixture of ancient and modern laws by which justice is dealt out here. There have been too many such arbitrary flats. They have aroused, and rightly, a spirit of antagonism on the part of merchants and importers, exporters and passengers, which has hurt trade, and made for Manila about the same reputation concerning its Custom's administrations that Jeffreys had as a judge. The *Cablenews* does not seek to find fault with Collector Shuster. But he is wideawake, informed, and honest nono can doubt; and that he does his duty to his fullest understanding of it is evident. But the *Cablenews* thinks he sometimes errs on the side of overzealousness, and that the case of Allen is an example. The decision of the Customs authorities in the matter shows for itself. The facts in brief are these:

Allen is 21 years old, an Englishman, and an accountant by business. He was engaged in London, England, by an agent of the Chartered Bank of India, to go to the Philippines as an accountant in the branch bank at Cebu, for three years, at a fixed salary. The Customs authorities ruled that he must be excluded because he did not come under the provisions of the Act of Congress, which permits entrance here to persons under contract who are professional actors, artists, lecturers, singers, ministers of any religious denominations, professors for colleges or seminaries, persons belonging to any recognized learned profession, or persons employed as personal or domestic servants.

Section 2 of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1903, provides that certain classes of class shall be excluded from admission into the United States. Among those classes are aliens imported to perform labour or service of any kind, skilled or unskilled, in the United States.

Section 4 of the above Act reads as follows:

"Sec. 4. That it shall be unlawful for any person, company, partnership or corporation, in any manner whatsoever, to prepay the transportation or in any way to assist or encourage the importation or migration of any alien into the United States in pursuance of any offer, solicitation, promise, or agreement, parole or special, expressed or implied, made previous to the importation of such alien to perform labour or service of any kind skilled or unskilled, in the United States."

Section 33 of the same Act reads as follows:

"Sec. 33. That for the purposes of this Act the words 'United States' as used in the title as well as in the various sections of this Act shall be construed to mean the United States and any waters, territory, or other place now subject to the jurisdiction thereof."

All this is in accordance with the letter of the law. But the decision says in conclusion:

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## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

July 19, HAIMUN British str., 636, Chas. A. Mutton, Andy 18th July, General—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.  
July 19, KAOSHIMA MARU, Japanese str., 2,731, K. Kori, Singapore 13th July, General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
July 20, CATHERINE APAR, British str., 1,730, A. Stewart, Calcutta 5th July and Straits 14th, General—D. SASCOON CO., LTD.  
July 20, EMMA LUYKEN, German str., 1,110, H. Martens, Straits via Hollow 19th July, General and Pigs—E. A. TRADING CO.  
July 20, LOONGSAMO, British str., 1,022, G. S. Weigill, Manila 17th July, General—JARLLINE, MATHEWS & CO.  
July 20, PAEGING, British str., 1,072, Wavell, Chefoo 14th July, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.  
July 20, PELEUS, British str., 4,900, J. Barwise, Foochow 18th July, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.  
July 20, PHROMETHEUS, British str., 3,583, G. Moor, Shanghai 17th July, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

CLEARANCES.  
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
20th July.

Ardie, British str., for Manila.  
Avraem, British str., for Shanghai.  
Haikou, French str., for Bozhou.  
Kagoshima Maru, Japanese str., for Kobe.  
Kouliou, German str., for Wuhan.  
Loongsumo, German str., for Shanghai.  
Maedou, British str., for Singapore.  
Mausing, British str., for Sandakan.  
Peleus, British str., for Singapore.  
Santson, British str., for Shanghai.  
Touan, Chinese str., for Canton.  
Wonsung, British str., for Shanghai.

## DEPARTURES.

19th July.  
HIMALAYA, French str., for Taku.  
KENTRIKE, British 4-m. barque, for Baltimore.  
NANSIAN, British str., for Swatow.  
ROSARIO, British ship, for Singapore.  
20th July.  
AERIE, British str., for Manila.  
ARIAKE MARU, Japanese str., for Moji.  
KOWLOON, German str., for Wuhan.  
MACDUFF, British str., for New York.  
MARQUIS BACQUEHEM, Aust. str., for Shanghai.  
MAUSING, British str., for Sandakan.  
NURMEERO, German str., for Singapore.  
SCOT-MAN, British str., for Shanghai.  
TOONAN, Chinese str., for Canton.  
WOOSUNG, British str., for Shanghai.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

20th July.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—K. W. LOON DOCKS.—San Joaquin, Keongwei, Wuchang, H.M.S.S. Sparrowhawk and Vixen, U.S.A.T. Signals.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—U.S.A.T. Summer.

## SHIPPIING REPORT.

The British steamer Loongsumo, from Manila, 17th July, experienced fine weather throughout the passage, with brisk monsoon and moderate sea.

## VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

July 1, British str., Kyure, McFarlane, from London for Batavia.

July 1, Dutch str., Flores, Onward, from Amsterdam for Batavia.

July 2, British str., Selma, Walsh, from Colombo for Batavia.

July 2, British ship, Radian, Dany, Mar. 28, from Philadelphia for Kobe.

July 3, French ship, Chateaubriand, Lorain, from Rotterdam for Batavia.

July 3, Dutch str., Sintoro, Guthrie, from Rotterdam for Batavia.

July 3, Dutch str., Isacki, Boon, from Tjilatjap for Batavia.

July 3, British 4-m. barque, Mile, Symons, Mar. 21, from New York for Chetoo.

July 6, British ship, Aristomen, Young, from Cape Town for Yokohama.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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## "HAIMUN."

Captain Mutton, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 21st inst., at 10 A.M.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK &amp; CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1903. [2063]

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## "HAITAN."

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Hongkong, 20th July, 1903. [2069]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship.

## "KUMSANG."

Captain Buller, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 21st inst., at NOON.

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Hongkong, 15th July, 1903. [2036]



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Hongkong, 1st July, 1903. [3]

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## Hongkong, 1st July, 1903. [3]

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|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c. | CYELON           | Brit. str.            | C. D. Bennett | P. & O. S. N. Co.       | About 24th inst.      |
| LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL                | BENEDIKI         | Brit. str.            | D. Clark      | GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.  | About 26th inst.      |
| LIVERPOOL                            | PHROMETHEUS      | Brit. str.            | D. Diomedes   | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | To-day.               |
| LIVERPOOL                            | PINGUIN          | Brit. str.            | J. W. Vale    | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 20th August.          |
| LIVERPOOL                            | TAMBA MARU       | Brit. str.            | Duchateau     | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 22nd September.       |
| MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP          | FREN.            | Brit. str.            | STENOTE       | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA     | To-day.               |
| MARSEILLE, LONDON & S. OF CALL.      | PELEUS           | Brit. str.            | T. TDKUS      | MESSENGERS MARITIMES    | 25th Inst., 11 A.M.   |
| MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP          | PELEUS           | Brit. str.            | NESTOR        | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 4th August.           |
| MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP          | KINTUCK          | Brit. str.            | KINTUCK       | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 18th August.          |
| MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP          | GLADCUIS         | Brit. str.            | GLADCUIS      | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 1st September.        |
| MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP          | BURGUNDER        | Brit. str.            | BURGUNDER     | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 15th September.       |
| HAMBURG                              | WURZBURG         | Ger. str.             | v. Blaser     | MELCHERS & CO.          | 29th September.       |
| HAMBURG                              | BADENIA          | Ger. str.             | Röder         | HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE    | To-morrow, Noon.      |
| SITHONIA                             | SITHONIA         | Ger. str.             | Hildebrandt   | HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE    | 26th August.          |
| KONIGSBERG                           | KONIGSBERG       | Ger. str.             | Mayer         | HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE    | 9th September.        |
| ANDALUSIA                            | ANDALUSIA        | Ger. str.             | von Dohren    | SANDER, WIELER & CO.    | 27th August.          |
| TEIERSTE                             | TEIERSTE         | Aust. str.            | Mecozzi       | DODWELL & CO., LTD.     | 10th August.          |
| MACDUFF                              | MACDUFF          | Brit. str.            | Spiesen       | SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.     | About 15th inst.      |
| VERONA                               | VERONA           | Am. str.              | E. Babie      | STANDARD OIL CO.        | About 23rd inst.      |
| KENNEDY                              | KENNEDY          | Brit. str.            |               | HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE    | About 25th inst.      |
| ABADIA                               | ABADIA           | Brit. str.            |               | MELCHERS & CO.          | About middle Aug.     |
| TARTAR                               | TARTAR           | Brit. str.            |               | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | To-morrow.            |
| E. OF CHINA                          | E. OF CHINA      | Brit. str.            |               | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | 5th Aug. at Noon.     |
| RIJOUN MARU                          | RIJOUN MARU      | Jap. str.             | N. Ohno       | NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA     | 28th inst., at 4 P.M. |
| VICTORIA                             | VICTORIA         | Brit. str.            | J. Panton     | DODWELL & CO., LTD.     | 1st August.           |
| NINGCHOW                             | NINGCHOW         | Brit. str.            | Hollingsworth | PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.  | 10th August.          |
| INDAPURA                             | INDAPURA         | Brit. str.            |               | PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.  | 27th inst.            |
| TAIWAN                               | TAIWAN           | Brit. str.            |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 27th inst.            |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS                     | AUSTRALIAN PORTS | Brit. str.            |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 28th inst.            |
| CHEMULPO                             | CHEMULPO         | Port Arthur & N'CHANG |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 29th inst.            |
| FOOCHOW                              | FOOCHOW          | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 30th inst.            |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 31st inst., Daylight. |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | To-day, at 4 P.M.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 27th inst.            |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 28th inst.            |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 29th inst.            |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 30th inst.            |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 31st inst.            |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 1st Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 2nd Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 3rd Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 4th Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 5th Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 6th Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 7th Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 8th Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 9th Aug. at Noon.     |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 10th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 11th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 12th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 13th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 14th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 15th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 16th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 17th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 18th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 19th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 20th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 21st Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 22nd Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 23rd Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     | 24th Aug. at Noon.    |
| NEW YORK                             | NEW YORK         | VIA SUEZ CANAL        |               | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE     |                       |



## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Until further notice, the Western Branch Office will be closed. The *Hochim*, with the German Mail of the 23rd ult., left Singapore on Saturday, the 18th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 22nd inst.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.

| FOR                                 | FROM      | DATE             |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Amoy and Tamsui                     | Hainan    | 21st, 9.00 A.M.  |
| Canton                              | Honan     | 21st, 9.30 A.M.  |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow            | Hainan    | 21st, 10.00 A.M. |
| Singapore                           | Peleus    | 21st, 10.00 A.M. |
| Singapore, Penang and Calcutta      | Kumsung   | 21st, 11.00 A.M. |
| Calcutta                            | Cassius   | 21st, Noon       |
| Macao                               | Huangshau | 21st, 1.15 P.M.  |
| Shanghai                            | Loungneou | 21st, 1.00 P.M.  |
| Shanghai, Chongming and Port Arthur | Sulberg   | 21st, 4.00 P.M.  |
| Kumchuk and Samshui                 | Tungkong  | 21st, 4.00 P.M.  |

MACAO, AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,  
YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO  
(Supplementary mail on board up to the  
time fixed for departure of the mail.  
Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Hoioh and Haiphong  
Macao  
Nantao  
Sanbu  
Canton, Amoy and Foochow  
Quang Chou Wan, Hoioh, Pakhoi & Haiphong  
Straits, Colombo and Bombay  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.

Europe, &c., India via Tutipecto  
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra  
Postage 10 cents.)  
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in  
time for the first clearance will be included  
in this contract mail.)

Malta.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

20th July.

ON LONDON.—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1.84  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1.84  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 1.9  
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 1.94  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 1.94  
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight ..... 1.94

ON PARIS.—  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 219  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 224

ON GERMANY.—  
On demand ..... 177

ON NEW YORK.—  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 424  
Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 434

ON HAMBURG.—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1304  
Bank, on demand ..... 1304

ON CALCUTTA.—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1304  
Bank, on demand ..... 1304

ON SHANGHAI.—  
Bank, at sight ..... 714

Private, 30 days' sight ..... 724

ON YOKOHAMA.—  
On demand ..... 844

ON MANILA.—  
On demand ..... 24 p.m.

ON SINGAPORE.—  
On demand ..... Nominal

ON BATAVIA.—  
On demand ..... 1044

ON HAIPHONG.—  
On demand ..... 1 p.c.p.m.

ON SAIGON.—  
On demand ..... 1 p.c.p.m.

ON BANGKOK.—  
On demand ..... 624

GOVERNMENT, Bank's Buying Rate ..... 311.50

GOLD LEAD, 100 fine, per tael ..... 861.75

PLATE SILVER, per oz. ..... 25

## OPIUM.

17th July.

Quotations are:— Allow no less than 1 catty.  
Malwa New ..... \$1040 to ..... per catty.  
Malwa Old ..... \$1100 to ..... "  
Malwa Older ..... \$1140 to ..... "  
Malwa Old ..... \$1160 to ..... "  
Persian quality ..... \$800 to ..... "  
Persian extra fine ..... \$810 to ..... "  
Pata New ..... \$1075 to ..... per chest.  
Pata Old ..... \$1085 to ..... "  
Barone New ..... \$1075 to ..... "  
Barone Old ..... \$1085 to ..... "

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

## THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Hamburg* left Shanghai on the 18th inst., at 1 p.m., and was expected here to-day, at daylight.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Sachsen* left Singapore on the 18th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on the 23rd inst., at day-light.

## THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. steamer *Toukin* will leave Singapo- to-day, at 6 a.m., for this port via Saigon.

## THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-Chinese steamer *Wansang* left Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 11th inst., and may be expected here on the 27th inst.

## THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic* left Yokohama for this port on the 17th inst., a.m., via Inland Sea, &c.

The T.K.K. steamer *Hongkong Maru* left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 7th inst.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The steamer *Zafiro* left Manila on the 18th inst., and is due here to-day.

The C.P.R. steamer *Athenian* arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m. on the 20th inst., and left again at 6 p.m. same day for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 9 a.m., to-morrow.

The P. & O. steamer *Candia* left Singapore for this port on the 18th inst., at 11 a.m.

The C.M. steamer *Keswan* left Muji on the 18th inst., p.m., and is due here on the 23rd inst.

The O.S.S. steamer *Hector* left Singapore on the 19th inst., a.m., and is due here on the 24th inst.

The N.P. steamer *Victoria* arrived at Yokohama on the 13th inst.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer *Pleides* arrived at Kobe on the 15th inst.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer *Hyades* arrived at Yokohama on the 15th inst.

The E. & A. steamer *Empire*, from Sydney, &c., left Thursday Island on the 16th inst. for Manila and this port, and is due here on the 26th inst.

The P. & A. steamer *Indra* left Portland (Or.) for this port, via Japan ports, on the 13th inst., and may be expected here on the 10th prox.

The O.S.S. steamer *Ajas* left Victoria (B.C.) on the 16th inst. for Japan and Hongkong.

CHEONG SHING.  
GENERAL EXPORTERS.

## DEALERS IN JEWELLERY, DIAMONDS, PEARLS PRECIOUS STONES, SILKS, IVORY WARES, EMBROIDERIES AND CHINESE CURIOS.

Wholesale and Retail. Prices very moderate. No. 39, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (Opposite Messrs. C. J. GAUFF & CO.). Hongkong, 16th May, 1903.

RUINART PERE & FILS, REIMS  
Established 1719.  
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Ship only the Finest Quality Extra Dry (Green Seal) LAUTS, WEGENER & CO., Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [1054]

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 20th July.

| COMPANY                              | PAID UP. | QUOTATIONS.          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| Hongkong & Shansi                    | \$125    | 1680. London 204.    |
| Natl. Bank of China                  | 23       | 225.                 |
| E. Shares                            | 23       | 228.                 |
| Foun. Shares                         | 21       | 310.                 |
| Bell's Asbestos E. A.                | 21       | 10, sales            |
| Campbell, Macrae & Co.               | \$10     | 340, sellers         |
| China-Borneo Co., Ltd.               | \$12     | 310, sellers         |
| China Light & Power Co., Ltd.        | \$20     | 302.                 |
| China Prov. L. & M.                  | \$10     | 375, sellers         |
| China Sugar                          | \$100    | 294, sellers         |
| Cigar Companies                      | \$500    | 250, buyers          |
| Athamra, Ltd.                        | \$500    | 250, buyers          |
| Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.   | \$50     | 118.                 |
| Cotton Mills                         | Ts. 100  | Ts. 35, sellers      |
| Ewo                                  | Ts. 73   | Ts. 40.              |
| International                        | Ts. 100  | Ts. 42, sellers      |
| Lacu Kung Mow                        | Ts. 500  | Ts. 160.             |
| Soychay                              | Ts. 100  | Ts. 116, sales       |
| Hongkong                             | \$10     | 116, sales           |
| Dairy Farm                           | \$10     | 112.                 |
| Feawick & Co., Geo.                  | \$25     | 347.                 |
| Great Island Cement                  | \$10     | 324, buyers          |
| H. & C. Bakery                       | \$50     | 340, sellers         |
| Hongkong & G. Co.                    | \$10     | 340, buyers          |
| Hongkong Electric                    | \$10     | 320, ex div. ad.     |
| H. H. L. Travellers                  | \$5      | 67, ex div. buy.     |
| Hongkong Steam Vessel Co.            | \$100    | 320.                 |
| Hongkong Hotel                       | \$50     | 151, sellers         |
| H. & W. Ward & Co.                   | \$22     | 300.                 |
| Hongkong Hope                        | \$50     | 145.                 |
| H. & W. Lock                         | \$50     | 116, buyers          |
| Insurance                            | \$50     | 116.                 |
| Canton                               | \$50     | 116.                 |
| China Fire                           | \$20     | 180, buyers          |
| China Trade                          | \$25     | 185, buyers          |
| Hongkong Fire                        | \$50     | 183.                 |
| North China                          | \$25     | 183.                 |
| Trade                                | \$20     | 11, nominal          |
| Union                                | \$100    | 500, sellers         |
| Yangtze                              | \$50     | 115.                 |
| Land and Building                    | \$100    | 61, sellers          |
| Hongkong Land Inv.                   | \$10     | 112, sellers         |
| Humphreys Estate                     | \$20     | 124, sellers         |
| Kowloon Land & B.                    | \$60     | 65.                  |
| West Point Building                  | \$100    | 610, buyers          |
| Luzon Sugar                          | \$50     | 115, sales           |
| Manila Invest. Co., Ltd.             | \$50     | 115.                 |
| Mining                               | Fca. 260 | 6800, sellers        |
| Charbonnage                          | \$5      | 61, sellers          |
| Jeloh                                | \$5      | 61, sellers          |
| Punjan                               | \$11     | 230.                 |
| Do. Preference                       | \$1      | 30 cts.              |
| Rausa                                | 13/10    | 581, buyers          |
| New Amoy Duck                        | \$60     | 641, buyers          |
| Oriente Hotel, Manila                | \$60     | 640, buyers          |
| Powell, Ltd.                         | \$10     | 116, sales & sellers |
| E. Wilson Piano Co., Ltd.            | \$50     | 50.                  |
| Steamship Cos.—                      | \$50     | 521, buyers          |
| China and Manila                     | \$50     | 516, buyers          |
| Douglas Steamship                    | \$50     | 504, sales           |
| H. Canton and M.                     | \$15     | 184.                 |
| Iudi-China S. N.                     | \$20     | 698.                 |
| Self Transport and Trading Co., Ltd. | \$1      | 12.5, sales & buy.   |
| Sar Ferry                            | \$10     | 117, buyers          |
| S.C.E. Boyd & Co., Ltd.              | \$5      | 117, buyers          |
| Tsai Liang Planting Co.              | \$100    | 170.                 |
| United Asbestos                      | \$4      | 93, buyers           |
| Do.                                  | \$10     | 116.                 |
| Universal Trading Co., Ltd.          | \$20     | 223, buyers          |
| Watkins, Ltd.                        | \$10     | 57, sellers          |
| Watson & Co., A. S.                  | \$10     | 114, sellers         |

## HONGKONG REVENGE.

| Previous day 4 p.m.                               | On date 10 A.M. | On date 4 p.m. |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
| Barometer ..... 20.98                             | 20.97           | 20.81          |
| Temperature ..... 83                              | 81              | 82             |
| Humidity ..... 77                                 | 72              | 83             |
| Barom. 24 hr. ..... 31.98                         | 31.95           | 31.95          |
| Wind ..... 1                                      | 2               | 1              |
| Weather ..... c                                   | c               | c              |
| Rain ..... 0.49                                   | —               | —              |
| Highest open air temperature on the 15th ..... 84 | —               | —              |
| Lowest open air temperature on the 15th ..... 77  | —               | —              |
| Hongkong Observatory, 20th July.                  | —               | —              |

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 21st to the 27th July.

## HONGKONG MEAN TIME.

## HONGKONG MEAN HEIGHT.

## HONGKONG MEAN TIME.